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TO: LESTER M CRAWFORD HF-1

FROM: DAVID ROSEN

SYNOPSIS: STAR SCIENTIFIC, INC.'S FILING OF COMMENTS CONCERNING ARIVA

CITIZEN PETITIONS (DOCKET NOS. 01P-0572 AND 02P-0075)

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VIA HAND DELIVERY

Lester M. Crawford, D.V.M., Ph.D Deputy Commissioner Room 1471 Food and Drug Administration Parklawn Building 5600 Fishers Lane Rockville, MD 20857

Re:

Star Scientific, Inc.'s Filing of Comments

Concerning Citizen Petitions Docket Nos. 01P-0572 and 02P-0075

Dear Deputy Commissioner Crawford:

On behalf of our client Star Scientific, Inc., we filed the attached responses to Citizen Petitions filed by William Schultz, Esq. on behalf of the National Center for Tobacco Free Kids and Alan Bennett, Esq. on behalf of GlaxoSmithKline, concerning Star Scientific's compressed powdered hard tobacco product, ArivaTM CigalettTM pieces.

Enclosed are courtesy copies of the responses for your review.

We firmly believe that Star Scientific's compressed powdered hard tobacco product ArivaTM falls outside of FDA's jurisdiction pursuant to the Supreme Court decision in FDA v. Brown & Williamson Tobacco Corporation, 529 U.S. 120 (2000). The ArivaTM compressed powdered tobacco product is neither a food nor a food additive as defined under the Federal, Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. The Petitions are without merit and should be denied.

Sincerely yours,

David L. Rosen

cc: Charles Fried, Esq.

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